മിസ്റ്റർ പി. സി. ചാഞ്ചൻ.—എന്തന്വേഷണമാണ നടത്തിയത്?? അന്വേഷണത്തിൽ അടിച്ചത് സത്യമാണെന്നു തെളിഞ്ഞോ?

റാവുസാഹിബ്ബ് മിസ്റ്റർ സി. മത്തായി.—തെളിവെടുക്കുവാൻ എനിക്കധികാരമില്ല. എങ്കിലും അത് പോലിസ് കമ്മീഷണറെ അറിയിക്കേണ്ടതാണെന്നു എനിക്കു മനസ്സിലായി.

മിസ്റ്റർ പി. സി. ചാഞ്ചൻ.—പോലിസ് കമ്മീഷണർ ആസ്ഥലത്തു ചെന്നു അന്വേഷിച്ചതിൽ എന്തെല്ലാം തെളിവുണ്ടായിരുന്നു?

മിസ്റ്റർ പി. നീലകണ്ഠമേനോൻ.—ഇപ്പോൾ പറയുവാൻ സാധിക്കുകയില്ല.

റാവുസാഹിബ്ബ് മിസ്റ്റർ സി. മത്തായി.—പോലീസ് കമ്മീഷണർ അല്ല പോയത്. അദ്ദേഹം വേറെ ഉദ്യോഗസ്ഥന്മാരെ അയച്ചു. അതുകൊണ്ട് അദ്ദേഹത്തിനു ഇപ്പോൾ അതിനെപ്പറ്റി പറയുവാൻ പ്രയാസമാണ്.

മിസ്റ്റർ പി. സി. ചാഞ്ചൻ.—പുലയകുട്ടികൾക്കും കടയും മറ്റും പിടിച്ചു നടക്കുവാനുള്ള വിഷമങ്ങൾ ഇനിയെങ്കിലും മാറുവാൻ വേണ്ട ഏർപ്പാട് ചെയ്യാമോ?

റാവുസാഹിബ്ബ് മിസ്റ്റർ സി. മത്തായി.—ഇപ്പോഴും അവർ നടക്കാമല്ലൊ. വിരോധം ഒന്നും ഇല്ല.

Revenue Inspectors and their transfers.

146. Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan.—Will the Government be pleased to place on the Council Table a statement showing:—

(a) the names of Revenue Inspectors working in each Firkah with the period for which they were in their present places;

(b) the number of agricultural loans recommended by them during the period under reference;

(c) were there any particular reason for keeping some of them in their present places for unusually long periods;

(d) were there complaints against any one of them after the third year of their service in the same place;

(e) if the answer for (d) be in the affirmative, may the House know what has been done with such complaints?

Rao Sahib Mr. T. V. Kasturi Ranga Ayyar.—(a) A list of Revenue Inspectors and the dates from which they have taken charge of their present Firkahs is placed on the Council Table.

(b) Revenue Inspectors cannot recommend the grant of agricultural loans. They can only help Tahsildars in making enquiries into applications.

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(c) No.

(d) To answer the question the records of several years from the very establishment of the staff of Revenue Inspectors will have to be searched for, which the Government do not consider worthwhile to undertake. But there has been no complaint worth the name against any Revenue Inspector who has remained in the Firkah for more than two or three years.

(e) No answer is called for in view of answer to (d).

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan.—May I know what sort of help the Revenue Inspectors render to the Tahsildar in this connection ?

Rao Sahib Mr. T. V. Kasturi Ranga Ayyar.—They are all contained in *the Land Revenue Manual*. It will take some time to enumerate them. There are clear rules for their guidance. Their help to the Tahsildar is the lands must be identified, title deeds examined, etc.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan.—All these are contained in *the Land Revenue Manual* ?

Rao Sahib Mr. T. V. Kasturi Ranga Ayyar.—The Revenue Inspectors are not independent units. They are Tahsildars' subordinates. They should help them.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan.—Do they do any work in the matter ?

Rao Sahib Mr. T.V. Kasturi Ranga Ayyar.—They do a lot of spade work.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan.—What is the nature of the work ?

Rao Sahib Mr. T. V. Kasturi Ranga Ayyar.—First of all, on receipt of the application, they go to the place, they take the village man with them, take the measurement of the property, inspect the properties, whether it is *nilom* or *paramba* and all these things.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan.—I do not want to know such elementary information. It is known to all. I have put a question, what is the nature of the help that is rendered by the Revenue Inspectors. They look into the application, they go to the place, they take the village man, they measure the land and all these things I can understand without the Hon'ble Member's suggestion.

President.—He did not mean anything by referring to such processes.

Rao Sahib Mr. T. V. Kasturi Ranga Ayyar.—There are some matters which are not exactly put in *the Manual*. So I simply stated them for the information of the House.

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President.—The Revenue Inspector is a direct subordinate of the Tahsildar and he will have to help the Tahsildar whenever an application is received.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan.—Do they make any recommendation for the Tahsildar's consideration as to the sufficiency of security in the matter of agricultural loans and such other things?

Rao Sahib Mr. T. V. Kasturi Ranga Ayyar.—They value the properties according to the rules laid down in *the Manual*.

President.—You give the bare facts of the case. The point is whether the Revenue Inspector makes any recommendation to the Tahsildar as to the sufficiency of the security for the loan applied for.

Rao Sahib Mr. T. V. Kasturi Ranga Ayyar.—There are a series of questions to be answered by the Revenue Inspector in such matters. They are to be answered by him, that is all. He is not to make any recommendation.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan.—Then with regard to the keeping of some of the Revenue Inspectors in their places for long periods, from the statement placed on the Table I find that No. 12, the Revenue Inspector for Trichur, had been there for 8 years and 8 months, the Kunnamkulam Revenue Inspector for 7 years and 10 months, another for 6 years and 10 months, another for 6 years and 5 months, and so on. May I know whether there is any rule for the transfer of officers in general?

Rao Sahib Mr. T. V. Kasturi Ranga Ayyar.—There is nothing about Revenue Inspectors.

President.—I think there is a rule that if District Registrars, remain in a place for over three years, then their transfer should be considered and transfers effected. I do not know whether there is any other rule.

Rao Sahib Mr. T. V. Kasturi Ranga Ayyar.—There is no rule about Revenue Inspectors' transfer.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan.—Is there any convention or understanding with regard to the transfer of Revenue Inspectors?

Rao Sahib Mr. T. V. Kasturi Ranga Ayyar.—No.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan.—With reference to (d), my question was 'were there complaints against any one of them after the third year of their service in the same place,' and the answer given to me is that 'To answer the question the records of several years from the very establishment of the staff of Revenue Inspectors will have to be searched for, which the Government do not consider worthwhile to undertake.....' My intention in asking the question was to ascertain whether

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there were complaints about the Inspectors after their service of three years in one and the same place.

Rao Sahib Mr. T. V. Kasturi Ranga Ayyar.—No complaint.

President.—Is it not necessary to look into the file from the very date of the appointment of the several Inspectors? To be accurate, records will have to be examined.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan.—I wanted only to know whether there were complaints regarding any of them after their service for three years in one and the same place.

Rao Sahib Mr. T. V. Kasturi Ranga Ayyar.—I took the question not in that way. The question was not very clear; further it does not relate to a specific person.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan.—To answer my question only 5 years' records would have to be looked into.

Rao Sahib Mr. T. V. Kasturi Ranga Ayyar.—The Revenue Inspectors were appointed after the Settlement, *i. e.*, 17 years previous to this date. So I took the question to mean whether there were any complaints on any of them during the past 17 years, and not whether there were complaints on any of them who has remained in a place for more than 3 years. I took that the question meant for the whole period, and so that answer was framed like that.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan.—In the case of the Trichur Revenue Inspector may I know whether he is a native of the place?

Mr. A. K. Vengu Ayyar.—He is not a native of Trichur.

Rao Sahib Mr. T. V. Kasturi Ranga Ayyar.—He is a native of Chittur, Kozhimuttam.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan.—Has there been any complaint against this gentleman at Trichur?

Rao Sahib Mr. T. V. Kasturi Ranga Ayyar.—No complaint: none that I know of.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan.—Is there any particular purpose to be served by allowing this man to continue for so many years in the same place?

Rao Sahib Mr. T. V. Kasturi Ranga Ayyar.—The general policy of the Department is to keep the officer in the same place as long as possible. He must know all the lands and other details. Only by remaining in one and the same place he can acquire such a knowledge. Further there is the Trichur Town Survey. For that we want a man who has a good knowledge of the whole locality, and who has got experience there. The policy is to keep Revenue Inspectors as long as possible, which is just the reverse so to speak of the Registrars.

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